His Friend, The Enemy

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CHAPTER I — Guy Herbert, who has inberited the townsite of Concord, Dakota
territory, the county seat, arrives at that
place. He visus Con Keever, publisher of
the Hilzaard and manager of the townsite
townpany, and learned of plan of people of
Harmony, a neighboring town, to wrest
town, leaving his land valueless, and he
screek to secretly attend a meeting at Hermuny to discover their mans. Animosity
between people of two towns is very bitter.
CHAPTER II —On the train to Harmony
Concord."

feet along the road by the gate, angry shouts and now and then the regry shouts and now and the regry shouts and now and

Guy made no answer to this, and they | the house. shortly arrived at Mr. Viadingham's

ingly, "I knew very well that father | cals out there are drunk and Barney wouldn't allow you to be hurt. But has told them everything. You'd bet-you took frightful chances. Why are ter go. I might be powerless to proyou here, Barney?"

"The squire sent me along to see Some one jingled the bell furiously. a mighty warm number county sent that he didn't get away," responded A scuilling of feet and muttering of war is gettin' interestin'." Barney, valiantly.

"Well, you needn't remain. I'll see that he doesn't get away. Good night." The door was closed in the astonished Barney's face.

Come into the parlor, Mr. Herbert," said Miss Betty.

aid Miss Betty.

Guy couldn't understand the situa- Guy.

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"I don't believe you knew what kind "I don't believe you knew what kind

neither father nor I, on hearing your followed Betty outside to a post where name, ever thought of connecting you a horse was hitched. Untying the halwith Mr. Montfort Herbert, of the Con- ter he vauled into the saddle. Betty cord Townsite company! And you directed him how to go. boarded that freight train at Concord,

"Why don't you denounce me for being a spy?" asked Guy, impatiently. "Why should I denounce you? Concord is your town, Mr. Herbert, and it row,"

is right for you to do what you can to hold the county seat. Harmony is our will be soon enough. Remember, we town, and we shall do what we can are enemies on county seat matters." to take the county seat away from you. I'm sorry for you, for yours is a

countenance even in a struggle of this fato the night. "I will have no violence. That is why

I added a line to the note which Bar-

took the note from his pocket and saw strenk cutting the darker turf of the penciled dimly at the bottom the platns. A moist, lash smell arose from words: "See that no barm comes to the deway grass and the croaking of Mr. Herbert, Betty." He drew a deep trace the chirping of crickets and the

"Then I have you to think for my from the sedge served only to intensify present safety," said he, replacing the the stillness. note in his pocket.

"Please don't misunderstand me, "My father's ruling passion is real estate. He wanted to sell you some the cause of her inexerable stand here. That was also his reason for he had not the alightest notion out doubt this was the premise resumed, "my father is one of the had information ploned a losing cause. Whenever he With my aid he is going to be victorious in this county sent affair," She spoke decisively. I don't know your real motive for coming here. but I presume you wanted to look over the rival town and find out what chance there was for Concord retaining its prestige."

"That was partly it," admitted Guy, "But I also wished to attend the meeting and find out, if I could, what move your side intended to make. "Col. Keever suggested that, did he

"It was suggested to me." "And you endeavored to follow out

this counsel against your better judg-"I am very sorry now that I acted on the suggestion at all."

"You are too much of a gentleman for this sort of work, Mr. Herbert. A county seat contest of this kind is a very disagreeable affair." "Why should there ever have been

a contest?"

"That was because Concord stole the county seat from Harmony in the first place. The vote was close and the convassing board bought by Col. Reever, threw out a sufficient number of Harmony votes to give the county seat to Concord." The blue eyes snapped and the thin nostrils dilated. "For this reason the question has been reopened, Mr. Herbert, and it is for this reason, also, that I am heart and soul in the conflict. I will have no violence but Col. Keever may have to be met with his own weapons in order that right and justice may prevall. We can be good enemies good friends as well, and after the election-" she smiles-"we will try to forget the disagreeable incidents

of the campaign." "With all my beartt" declared Guy. She offered him her hand and he pressed the little palm cordially.

house. Their ring was answered by bert, all saddled, bridled and wait-Miss Berty herself. "Mr. Herbert!" she exclaimed, smil- to alarm you, but some of those ras- noting the direction of Guy's gaze; teet you."

A scadling of feet and factoring hourse voices came from the porch.

"There they are," said Betty, "You der his apron and Guy examined it dealer, in the door, father, "Ally, there was a rea-not leader, in the door, father, and the same are not reader, in the door, father, and the same are not reader, in the door, father, and the same are not reader, in the door, father, and the same are not reader. talk with them at the door, father, while I show Mr. Herbert where he

can find the horse." Vlandingham started for the ball,

tion at all. Miss Berty did not seem to abute one jot or tittle of her friendling of a hornets' nest you were going to get into over here. Herbert, You've thought; "the storm will come before | got Betty on your side, I can see that, long." Miss Betty motioned toward 4 and I don't lay up any hard feelings, chair. After Guy had obediently seat-l'd advise you, though, to give this ed himself she took a rocker viser-vis. burg a wide berth in future. You see, She thought for a moment, and then I hold the winning cards in this fight and can afford to be magnanimous. "To think," she remarked, "that | Guy wrong Viandingham's hand and

> "I hope I shall see you again, Miss Vlandingham," he observed.
> "You may see me when you least ex-

pect it," she answered.
"I will send the horse back to-mor-

"Any time that you find it convenient "And friends on all others?"

"If you wish it."
"I do wish it. Good-by." "Yet there are means you would not ! She waved her hand and he sped away

CHAPTER IV. Guy had a lonely ride back to Con-

There was far more to this county seat business than Gov had imagined. Mr. Herbert," returned Miss Betty. Miss Betty felt that Harmony had been lots in Harmony, and, for fear you the present contest. Two-thirds of the wouldn't be where he could watch voters in the county had signed a petiyou, he insisted on having you come | tion for a special election and it was a foregone conclusion that these two you to the meeting and thirds would vote for Harmony. Withhe was harboring an enemy." Miss | which Mr. Vlandingham and his daugh-Betty laughed again. "At heart," she | ter were hullding their hopes, but Gus noblest men in the world, but I can- Keever's imported voters. He did not not remember that he ever cham- know what the woting strength of the county was, but he was sure the enters a fight he goes in to win. Colonel had been sharp enough to bring in sufficient ballots to overcome the two-thirds malority. The young man did not fancy this phase of the question, although the entire contest was gradually presenting itself to him as a been brought up in abhorrence of "ways that are dark and tricks that are valu." but now that he was in Rome quivalent to bankrupting himself, for that chance would Concord have if he ordered the Colonel's imported voters out of the town or permitted them to exercise the right of franchise uninfluenced? If ordered away they might \$2.75, Dan Orrell. flock to Harmony in a body, and if permitted to vote as they pleased they might be subsidized by agents of Vlandingham. The matter was a deli-cate one and to be handled with ex-treme caution. The temptation to look \$10. out for himself at all costs was a powerful one, and had not Miss Betty herself said that it was right for him to do all he could to keep the county seat

> well to lay back on his oars, watch the opposition and see what happened. He had a number of thoughts concorning Miss Betty entirely apart from the political question, and in the fair-er fields where they were to esteem each other as friends. These were headstrong fancies and so vividly tinted with the bues of youth that they be chronicled.

at Concord? Taking everything into

consideration. Guy thought it would be

Arrived at Concord, Guy left the horse at the livery barn and made his way along the dark and deserted street to the Lisbon house.

This hotel was under the proprietorship of a Portuguese. Being unable to pronounce his name, the people of him the patronymie of "Smith." taining his multitude of Christian names, his full title thus became Pedro no pay. Price 50c. At that moment they beard running

Fernandez Jose Manuel Smith. This was, of course, sitogether too long for a pioneer community, and when Pedro Fernandez was not plain Smith he was Pedro, or "Cinch"—which was practically the same.

Almost any day Pedro night be seen altting in front of his establishment, wearing his white apros and square white cap, his legs crossed, elbows on his knee, complacently swinging his suspended foot and puffing at a corncob pipe. It was thus that Guy found the proprietor when he came out from breakfast on the morning after his ride from Harmony.

The early train from the west had just stopped at the station as Guy took a chair on the porch and lighted "Quite an excitement when the

trains come in," observed Pedro.

"So it seems," returned Guy, looking CHAITER II—On the train to Harmony
Herbert meets Wilbur viandingham, ownof of most of the land of Harmony, and his
pretty daughter Elizabeth, no refear Hermanyife. Be becomes quite friendly and
they true him to accept their hespitality
while at Harmony, to which he relactantly
consents. He is invited to attend the meetlug that evening with them.

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Guy greatly admired her calmness,
but she underestimated his courage
if she thought for a moment that he
was frightened. Before he could reply, Mr. Viandingham hurried into
the room, coming from the rear of at the little throug which had gathlatter individual was throwing a can-"I've got a horse at the barn, Her- van bag into the open door of the mail

"That's Sampson," ventured Pedro, works for the Colonel, and is just of it, if you'd like to run it over. It's

the Colonel's scorching style, picking the county commissioners to tatters and then holding these remnants up to public contumely. The intrinsic value of the article did not interest Guy quite so much as something else. He produced the note which Mr. Vlanfingham had handed him at the town meeting the night before-N. B.-He message to her father at the bottom of it. Turning the note over, he perused the writing on the back, as he had done once before that morning.
(To be continued.)

Prize Winners.

AT PICNIC GROUND,

Hurdle Race-120 yards, for boys 18 years old and under, first prize, pair shoes, \$2. Jesse Davis; second prize, buggy whip, \$1, Howard Burt.

Foot Race-100 yards, free for Kerstner; second prize, pocket not or any party or inches, but state, and the attempted exhibit the constitutional provisions knife, \$1.25, Jesse Davis.

Fat Man's Race-Over 200 pounds, 50 yards, first prize, pomp or show of power, but by a of the state auditor and the in. the honesty of the ballot in that one quart red snapper, \$1.25, A. ey brought from Concord."
"That line" had escaped Guy. He | cord over the broad disty, a lightish | J. McGlee; second prize, meat | lican form of government. White | to explain the mismanagement | "We declare that in violation of government | the could see the road disty, a lightish | J. McGlee; second prize, meat | lican form of government. White | to explain the mismanagement | the could see the road disty, a lightish | J. McGlee; second prize, meat | lican form of government. saw, \$1, Jacob Kneibert.

resonant boun of the littern floating Mueller, jr.; second prize, shaving mug, \$1.50. Leo Wagner.

Greased Pole Climb-16 feet. first prize, sugar cured ham, cheated out of its rights and that was \$2.25, Paul Simpson; eleven in smaller prizes awarded to other duty and with the desire to ad- porations whose property value lature and sustained by decisions contestants, \$4.

> Ladies' Egg Race-20 yards, dozen photos, \$3.50, Lina Lusk; Alleyne Simpson.

Ladies' Potato Race - First president in 1904. prize, mirror, \$2, Bonnie Miller; second prize, gasoline oven, \$1,75, Freda Helmkampf.

Ladies' Throwing Contest First prize, parasol, \$2, Mrs. John Tucker; second prize, \$1, Gertrude Behrens.

Ladies' Rifle Match - First prize. pair ladies' shoes, \$3. Mrs. why should be not emulate the Ro- II. L. Lewis; second prize, cofiee, \$1. Mrs. Maggie B. Hays.

Gun Club Shoot-First prize, gold medal, \$5, Henry Wagner; second prize, rocking chair,

AT RACE TRACK. Horse Race-Half mile dash, first prize, Harry Fulenwider,

Fast Bicyle Race-Half mile dash, first prize, Lee Pedigo, \$5. Slow Bicycle Race-100 yards,

first prize, box cigars, \$2.50, Lee

Pedigo; second prize, set knives

and forks, \$1.50, Leo Wagner, Long Distance Ball Throwing Contest-First prize, finger mit, \$1.25, J. G. Ranney.

Mule Race-One half mile, free for all, first prize, one quart old were more properly dreams and not to lynch rye, \$1.50. Jess Criddle; second prize, coffee, \$1, Wm.

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June 24, 1902:

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"This convention bows its death of William McKinley, that gentle, affectionate and heroic man who, stricken by the bullet perity. of the assassin, closed his eyes men. While dead, William Mc- of the isthmian canal. We have of all voters and the conduct of governor (that of excise commis-Kiniey still lives, and, through unreserved confidence in the re- all elections for local as well out the cycles of the years to publican administration to care. as state officers is in the come, will live as a great presi- fully investigate the two pro. exclusive power of boards sesolely because of Miss Betty's penciled dept, and as one who loyed much posed routes and to select that lected by the governor, without lobbied in the interests of the and was much loved in return.

souri unreservedly indorses Pres | national commence. ident Rooseyelt and his adminis- "We declare that after thirty tration. Suddenly called upon years of power in the state the from the beginning that high and particularly its financial mat- for St. Louis in two elections, patriotism, that couageous man-books, records and funds are return the election of candidates hood which have won for him the unable to account to the people who received a minority of the the admiration of his political the funds and for the money was validated by a decision of a who is in anywise under the all, first prize, hat, \$2.25. Henry adversaries. He is the president, taken from the taxpayers of the supreme court to the effect that chief executive of the nation, he and squandering of state funds these principles of self-government may be adopted and put Sack Race-20 yards, free for is still one of the people, and his as charged against them. The ment and in contravention of the into operation for the future sil, box eigars, \$2.50. Herman highest aspiration is to accom- sworn testimony of democratic letter and spirit of the constituplish the greatest public good, officials is on record that demo-tion, in order to keep in power His every official act, whether crats holding responsible posi- politicians without sanction of a having reference to our policy at tions of official trust have become impority of the voters, numerous spired by the highest sense of the democratic party from cor. enacted by the democratic legisterests of our common country, their hands. egg in spoon, first prize, one and we believe that in his charsecond prize, bottle perfume, \$1. Rooseyelt has proved himself to bauching, and, in the face of the

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ness from youth to old ago.

The following is the platform that we are unalterably opposed pay the interest on them. adopted by the republican state to all trusts and combinations in . While opposing this amend, require. As an original assessing convention held at Jefferson City restraint of trade, or having for ment, we are in favor of the body and in equalizing the prop-"We, the representatives of the degree, stilling of competition, thus squandered by the demo. they do not fix the value of the republican party of Missouri, in and we demand such legislation, cratic party, and favor its investstate convention assembled, point both national and state, as will ment in interest bearing form, requires. with pride to the fact that the effectually protect the public where the income may be used principle of the republican party from these evils. And if such for the benefit of the public board, in fixing values for taxapresented in its national platform legislation can not be had under schools, as under the original tion, discriminate against the of 1900 have been steadfastly ad- present constitutional powers, we system, before the conversion, farmers of the state, increasing hered to and the promises therein demand such amendment to the or, if it be deemed better, this the assessed value of their prop-"We, therefore, congratulate as will suppress such combinational tributed in proper proportion than other property. This we

pledges by comprehensive, plen- wisely enacted by congress which Louis, and become a part of the ary and courageous legislation made Cuba a free and independ permanent county school fund, to party for having for over twenty for the perpetual mantenance of ent republic. We approve the be invested like the permanent years maintained at the state the gold standard, the standard policy of President Roosevelt county school fund is under the capital an iniquitous lobby as of the commercial world and par- respecting our relations with present law.

pending congressional legislation compel the earnest attention and ocratic convention, and by the our new possessions to achieve every elector of the state, irre- ernor of Missouri, together with the largest measure of self-gov- spective of former political affiil. the confessions of the present head in sorrow, mourning the government consistent with our lations, because at present, by soveignty, thereby insuring their virtue of unfair and partisan laws material development and pros- passed by the democratic gov-

upon earth in confident reliance national legislation as will Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, upon God and with love to all speedily secure the completion the whole matter of registration which is the most practical and the consent of the local authori- corporate monopolies of the state. "The republican party of Mis- available for the uses of our ties or their people, and without

to assume the great responsibility democratic party has so adof the presidency, he evinced ministered the affairs of the state administration of the Nesbit law sense of honor, that exalted ters, that the custodians of the has operated so successfully as to our fixed and determined purpose affection of his own party and for the proper disbursement of votes cast, and their title to office of the whole people. His admin- made by the foreign expert, authorizing election contests was istration has been marked by no supplemented by the statement no longer applicable to protect simplicity worthy of our repub- dorsement of the governor, fails community. home or abroad, has been in- gatherers of campaign funds for laws from time to time maye been Ethen Allen Litchcock, under vance and promote the best in- were subject to assessment at of the supreme court which vests

"We declare that this condition acter and in his career Theodore of things is infamous and debe the ideal candidate for above facts, democratic conventions have approved it and justi-"We affirm the declaration of fied it, and by so doing they have the platform adopted by the cast dishonor on the state and republican state convention at forfested public confidence.

"And we demand the opportunity of fully investigating all of the affairs of the state government, and of ascertaining as far as possible the extent and manner of the misappropriation and loss of tunds and other properties of the people during the past thirty years of democratic control. And we demand such investigation for the people by their agents, not standing charged with such official misconduct, and without the aid of nonresident experts employed for the purpose of hiding the evidence of wrongdoing.

"We declare that the conversion of the school fund was unwarranted by the constitution and a wrongful act, for which there was no excuse. It was kept concealed from the people, and was never fully admitted until the evidence of the fact was forced upon the public. And we insist that the proposed amendment to the constitution of this state to rehabilitate the school fund is an act of as great wrong as the original conversion. It would legalize a continual issue of interest-bearing certificates of indebtedness, and would perpetuate an interest-being debt, and with the growth of assessed value in the state, will create t

Kansas City on the 16th day of fund in the shape of taxes from assess the property of the state May, 1900, whereby we declare the people more than adequate to subject to taxation as the con-

their purpose, in the remotest restoration of the school fund erty of the state for taxation constitution of the United States fund so restored may be dis- erty, at a much larger per cent. among the various counties of declare to be oppressive and "We endorse the legislation so the state and the city of St. without warrant in law or fact.

ernor, in the three great com-"We are in favor of such mercial centers, namely, in St. such safeguards as will insure a fair expression of the voters'

"The partisan and infamous

in the governor the sole authority to appoint various boards and over the local affairs and municipal revenues of the cities of St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, without the voice or consent of the local authorities or has disappointed. All druggists. their people.

"We believe that all cities and towns in the state should be selfgoverned, with full authority to select and control their local boards and officers, levy and collect all taxes and charges for local purposes and distribute them as they please, and be alone responsible for the local administration, unhampered and unrestrained by the legislation of the state, and to this end we pledge our support to such necessary amendments to the constitution as can not be nullified and construed away by our supreme court.

"The republicans of Missouri believe that municipalities should grant franchises only by a direct vote of the people constituting such municipalities.

"We declare that the state board of equalization does not

stitution and the laws of the state same at its cash value, as the law

"We further charge that said

"We denounce the democratic shown by the admission of its "The fundamental dectrines of leader, who was an henored "We heartily endorse the an honest ballot and a fair count delegate at large to the last demsecretary of state, to consist exclusively and altogether of democrats.

"We denounce the present democratic administration in Missouri for having placed in the best office within the gift of the the man who, as shown by the testimony of democratic officers, We particularly denounce the weak efforts of the democratic organs in the state to unload upon our party their democratic lobby that maintains members of it in the most honored and lucrative positions within its gift.

"We hereby solemnly declare republican who may be a candidate for state or federal office control or influence of the lobby. "We cordially invite all good

citizens of the state, no matter what may have been their past party affiliatious, to join with us in this campaign, to the end that the true principles of govern-

"We cordially inderse the administration of the interior, presided over by Missouri's son, whose control that important department of the people's goveroment has been distinguished for impartial justice, respect for law and intelligent regard for the officers with unlimited power true interests of the entire people."

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